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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 8, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 3, line 3, delete "SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION".

Page 4, line 27, insert "SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION".

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 17, line 17 with the following

rewritten paragraph:

-- Fig. 6 shows an outline of constitution of vending device 140 of the embodiment. As can be seen from Fig. 6, vending device 140 of the embodiment